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22 November 1994

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Briefing of HPSCI Staffers on Guatemalan Guerilla
Bamaca

1. On [REDACTED] CIA, AC/DO/LA [REDACTED] and three DO and DI officers- [REDACTED] (DO/LA), [REDACTED] (DI/ALA) and [REDACTED] (DI/ALA)--briefed members of the HPSCI staff on reporting relating to the case of Efrain Bamaca Velasquez. Bamaca is a missing Guatemalan guerilla, whose U.S. wife, Jennifer Harbury, is carrying out a hunger strike in Guatemala City to force a Guatemalan Government response to his status. In response to increased focus on this case due Harbury's hunger strike and a related 05 November '60 Minutes' segment on Harbury, CIA briefed both oversight committees on all CIA reporting/documents on this case. [REDACTED]
2. Referring to [REDACTED] disseminated reports containing Bamaca's name from early 1993 to the present, DI analyst [REDACTED] provided the chronology of the reported capture, and possible torture and internment of Bamaca. Concluding that the CIA has no information on the current status of Bamaca or on his possible death, DO advised that they are attempting to obtain updated information [REDACTED] on Bamaca's fate. [REDACTED]
3. HPSCI Staffers [REDACTED] were satisfied with the briefing and had no pending questions on this case. State Department liaison officer [REDACTED] sat in on the briefing at his request, as he had at the SSCI staffer briefing on 04 November on the same issue. The undersigned attended for OCA. [REDACTED]

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6. [REDACTED] twice commended [REDACTED] on his excellent presentation and noted his expertise. (This has been passed on to DI by OCA.) [REDACTED]

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